

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 10 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 – 5 stand rejected. Claim 1 is currently amended. Claims 2, 3 and 6 – 10 have been canceled.

**Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 (a)**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 - 5 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Wang, et al. or Xia, et al. In response to the rejection, applicant has amended claim 1 to limit the claim to the species wherein  $V_1$  is  $-B(OH)_2$  and  $V_2$  is  $-Br$ . Claims 2, 3 and 6-10 have been canceled. As the Examiner has indicated that above species is allowable, and the claims are now limited to the allowable species, the outstanding rejection should be withdrawn.

**CONCLUSION**

Based on the Amendments and Remarks above, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 1, 4 and 5.

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